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Memorandum

TO : FILE (100-10461) DATE: 2/24/64

FROM : SAC SHANKLIN

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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At 4:25 PM today, D. E. MOORE of Bureau called and stated that the Commission has sent to the Bureau a "nasty" letter; the first two paragraphs of it are not important. Mr. MOORE dictated the last 3 paragraphs of this letter, which was from Mr. J. LEE RANKIN, General Counsel, President's Commission, dated 2/20/64. They are as follows:

"In light of our continuing review of these allegations, I would like to bring to your attention one related matter. Your letter of January 27, 1964 advised the Commission that Special Agent James P. Hosty's name, office telephone number and automobile license number, one digit off, appeared in Oswald's address book. In so informing the Commission, your letter supplied information which appears to have been omitted from an earlier report of the FBI submitted to this Commission.

"Specifically, the report of Special Agent Gemberling dated December 23, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, beginning at page 672 purports to set forth the names, addresses and/or phone numbers contained in Oswald's address book. At page 696 of this report, certain entries are set forth with an indication that they appear on page 74 of the address book. Examination of the address book reveals that certain information has been omitted at this point in your report, including Special Agent Hosty's name, a telephone number, a license number, the date 'November 1, 1963', and an address '1114 Commerce St Dallas'.

"The Commission would like to be informed of the circumstances surrounding this omission. More particularly, it would assist the Commission in appraising the significance of this matter if we knew the names of the Agents, including supervisors, who prepared this portion of the report or made any decision to omit information from the report. Needless to say, we would like a full explanation."

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Mr. MOORE stated they wanted a detailed teletype setting forth the reason why this material was not included in the report, the identity of the Agent or Agents who decided it should not be in the report, their reasons for not including it in the report, and the name of any Agent consulted or supervisor consulted, and their reasons. Specifically, anyone who made a decision as to what should be in this report is to be identified and their reasons given. Mr. MOORE said there is a good chance that they may call somebody to testify in this regard.

Mr. MOORE stated they want notarized affidavits from anyone who played a part in this decision. If SA GEMBERLING decided on his own, obtain affidavit from him. If he consulted with his supervisor or discussed it with other Agents, Bureau wants affidavits from each of them. Mr. MOORE stated, "We intend to furnish the Commission the full story as to why this was reported as it was."

The Director wants the details of this at once. Submit teletype tonight if possible. Furnish the affidavits tomorrow, 2/25/64, and telephonically advise the Bureau on 2/25/64 as to just how they are being sent - whether by mail or air pilot, etc.